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PLANS OF CARRERE & HASTINGS ADOPT-ED BY THE BOARD OF ESTIMATE.

TERMS OF THE CONTRACT WITH THE CITY-TO BE BUILT IN BRYANT PARK AT AN ESTI-MATED COST OF \$2,500,000.

By unanimous vote the Board of Estimate and Apportionment yesterday adopted the plans of Carrère & Hastings for the New-York Public Library building, which is to be erected on the site of the old reservoir, at Fifth-ave, and Fortysecond-st., at a cost of about \$2,500,000. The plens of the building were shown to the Board and explained in detail, but the immediate publication of them was withheld. The Board adjourned its consideration of the budget for 1898 to consider the plans and listen to statements by the Executive Committee of the library.

John L. Cadwalader, George L. Rives, Dr. Billings, the director of the library, and other members of the committee were present, with Messrs. Carrère & Hastings. Mr. Cadwalader presented to the Board the resolutions, which were passed. These resolutions, after reciting the act authorizing the removal and the erection of the library building in Bryant Park, declared that the Board of Estimate accepted the plans prepared by Carrère & Hastings, authorized and requested the Department of Public Parks to remove the reservoir in the park and to erect and equip the building for the library. Parts of the resolutions were the following:

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Third—That the Department of Public Parks be authorised and requested to employ Messrs. Carrère & Hastings, the authors of the said plans for the new library building, as architects, to prepare the detailed drawings, forms of contract and specifications for said building, pursuant to Section 2 of said act, and to superintend the erection of said building; said employment of such architects to be in accordance with a contract to be prepared by the Counsel to the Corporation, which contract shall contain a provision fixing the compensation to be paid the said architects at the customary fees, as declared by the American Institute of Architects.

tects.
Fourth—That the contract presented by the said New-York Public Library, Astor, Lenox and Tilden foundations, a copy of which is hereto annexed, be and the same hereby is approved, and the same be executed on behalf of the city and delivered as soon as the same is executed by or on behalf of the said New-York Public Library, Astor, Lenox and Tilden foundations. COURSE TO BE PURSUED.

Mr. Cadwalader, in introducing the resolutions and the plans, said that the bill providing for the new library made it necessary that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment approve the plans as shown, which should then be submitted to the Department of Parks, to be accepted by that Board. After that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment should again make a contract with the trustees of the Public Library. He continued: "We have plans for a library which we can say advisedly is better for useful purposes than any library in the world. Dr. Billings was sent to Europe to look over the libraries there. Our plans have been passed upon by ninety-one architects, all of whom are competent men, and we can say that the preliminary plans we sent out have been reduced to the best for a working library in the world."

Mr. Cadwalader said that it had taken two years to do this. The plans had been submitted in two competitions. The first competition had been open to every man having an office in New-York. There had been eighty-five plans in that competition. Six had been selected and these submitted to a committee of six of the best architects in the city. A committee of three, appointed by these architects and three members of the Board, had passed unanimously upon the plans submitted by Carrère & Hastings.

Mr. Cadwalader went on to tell what the proposed conditions of the agreement between the city and the library would be. The agreement, he said, had been based generally upon that of the Metropolitan Museum of Art and the Museum of Natural History. While they had not come empty-handed, but with an immense stock of 450,000 books, still the trustees had considered it best at the outset to grant everything that the public would be likely to demand in the future. One of the conditions would be that the library be open every day in the year, every evening, and from 1 in the afternoon until 9 in the evening on Sundays.

OF VIENNA LIMESTONE.

The building could be put up, he said, for \$2,500,000, of Vienna limestone or marble. The plans submitted show a building with a broad plaza fronting in Fifth-ave. The general dimensions of the building are 250 by 350 feet.

The contract for the occupation of the building of the New-York Public Library, Astor, Lenox and Tilden foundations, is a document of great length, and begins with a recital of the law authorizing the erection of the building in a public park. By the terms of the contract the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, acting for the city, gives a permanent lease of the building to be erected to the library. Parts

of the contract are as follows:

Fourth—The said library shall be accessible at all reasonable hours and times for general use, free of expense to persons resorting thereto, subject only to such control and regulation as the party of the second part, its successor or successors from time to time may exercise and establish for general convenience; provided, however, that one or more reading-rooms in said library shall be open and accessible to the public upon every day of the week except Sundays, but including all legal and public holidays, from at least 9 o'c.ock a. m. until at least 9 o'clock p. m., and on Sundays from 1 at least 9 o'clock p. m. until 2 o'clock p. m. until 2 o'clock p. m. unter such rules and regulations as the Board of Trustees shall prescribe from time to time; and, provided, that there shall at all times be established and maintained in the said library a free circulating branch, and that the same shall be opened for the use of the public during the day time on Sunday and during the evening of each day of the week for such time as may be prescribed by the said Board of Trustees in control of said library, the hour for closing said branch of the library, however, on each evening to be not later than 10 o'clock.

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venth-The authorities of the city of New-York shall have at all time access to every part of said building for general police visitation and super-vision, and also for the purpose of performance of the duties devolved upon them by the laws of the State of New-York or the city of New-York now enacted or hereafter to be enacted; and the police powers of the said party of the first part shall extend in, through and by the said building. The party of the second part, however, shall appoint, direct, control and remove all persons employed within said building, in and about the care of the building, and the library and collections therein contained, excepting the regular policeman on duty within the building or grounds, if any, and the employes of the Park Department engaged in gardening or construction.

Eighth—The city shall annually provide funds for the maintenance and repair of the building, and the city shall annually provide funds for the maintenance and repair of the building, and the city authorities or Department of Public Parks, acting under its direction, shall, at all times, provide and care for the roads, walks, fences, gardening and general care of the grounds and appurtenances attached thereto. The city, in addition, shall, at all times, furnish a supply of water and adequate police patrol and protection. With the limitations arready defined, the party of the second part shall exercise entire direction and management over all the affairs of the library building, and the books, collections and appurtenances.

Ninth—It is further expressly understood and of the duties devolved upon them by the laws of

Jason Rogers. Cauldwell argued that an action brought in the Burrogate's Court in Westchester County by his sisters-in-law, who are the plaintiffs in this action, was a har to the proceedings. Justice Andrews holds that it is not, and says that if the plaintiffs are successful Cauldwell must turn over their property to them or be adjudged in contempt.

A CUSTOM HOUSE INVESTIGATION.

TO BE MADE BY TREASURY AGENTS AT THE REQUEST OF THE COLLECTOR.

Collector Bidwell said yesterday afternoon that the dispatch from Washington printed in the morning papers regarding an examination of the affairs committee of six special agents of the Treasury Department was substantially correct. The examination, he continued, would embrace all the offices concerned with the collection of customs duties in this city. At the time Mr. Bidwell received his commission as Collector he asked that such an inspection be ordered, and Assistant Secretary Howell also suggested the advisability of it, as it has been several years since a special examination has been made of the conduct and workings of the local Custom House; but the time of instituting the work was deferred until the present, in order that Mr. Bidwell might have opportunity to familiarize himself with the duties of his office. It is his desire that hereafter a similar inspection shall be made every year during his term of office. There is no suspicion of irregularity in any branch of the customs service here, and the special agents will simply look into the workings of each of the offices, as experts are often engaged to examine the business of some leading mercantile house, with a view to seeing that everything is in good order. They will be in constant consultation with the Collector, who has certain suggestions to offer looking to the improvement of the service; but he does not feel at present justified in making public these recommendations. several years since a special examination has been

WALL STREET AND EXCHANGES.

The membership in the New-York Stock Exchange announced to be sold at auction at the Real Estate Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, yesterday, belonged to William H. Osgood, who died on Exchange since September 24, 1874, but had not been in active business for several years. The membership was offered on the order of Bowers & Sands, attorneys for the executors of the Osgood estate. The first bid was 50 cents, which raised a laugh. The next bid was 51. Then came a bid of \$17,000, and at this price the membership was knocked down to James Cleveland, representing Bowers & Sands, who bought the membership for William H. Osgood, the son of the former owner. It was said the purchaser would apply for admission to the Stock Exchange. If admirted, he will have to pay an admission fee of \$1,000. The quotation for Stock Exchange seats has been \$19,000 bid and \$21,000 asked, making the real price about \$20,000. Exchange since September 24, 1874, but had not been

The report of a hitch in the negotiations for the merging of the East River and the Equitable Gas companies into the New-Amsterdam Company was again denied yesterday. A member of the under-writing syndicate said: "The great amount of detalls takes time, and the publication of legal notices talls takes time, and the publication of legal notices required by law precludes haste. As to money, the syndrate has never lacked for all and more than it requires. The amount required has been fully underwritten by interests which could respond promptly on demand. Much more than three-fourths of the East River Gas stock has been deposited, as the holders prefer the new stock when issued to the proposed cash payment. As to the Equitable Gas stock, all but one thousand shares has been deposited. I think that not a single stockholder has so far asked for cash for his holdings."

There were substantial gains in stocks yesterday. Included in the advances were the following: Amercan Spirits preferred, 14; American Cotton Oil common, 2; American Cotton Oil preferred, 314; common, 2; American Cotton Oil preferred, 2-4; American Sugar common, 24, American Sugar preferred, 1; American Tobacco, 2; Atchisor preferred, 1; Burlington and Quincy, 18; Consolidated Gas, 14; Delaware and Hudson, 18; Eric first preferred, 19; General Electric, 14; Illinois Central, 15; Manhattan, 1; Metropolitan, 1; New-Jersey Centra, 19; Northwest, 18; Omaha, 18; Peoples Gas, 18; Pullman, 1; Rock Island, 19; St. Joseph and Grand Island second preferred, 14; St. Louis and San Francisco second preferred, 14; St. Paul, 18; Leather preferred, 14; Western Union, 18.

A special committee will make a report on a proposition for uniform commissions at a meeting of the Board of Managers of the New-York Cotton Exchange to be held to-day. There is a rule in regard to commissions, but it is a dead letter, as the penalty for breaking it was removed several years ago. Some members do business for so small a commission as \$2 "both ways" (buying and selling) on a contract for one hundred bales. It is reported that the special committee will recommend a commission of \$10 on one hundred bales for "both ways."

There was another small loss in wheat yesterday. the New-10rk Produce Exchange December wheat closed at 96% cents, a decline of % cent from Tuesday. May wheat closed at 23% cents, a decline of % cent. December corn closed at 21% cents, an advance of % cent. May corn closed unchanged at 34% cents. Export sales were twenty loads of wheat and thirty loads of corn.

Deputy-Collector, and was placed in charge of the First or Marine Division of the Custom House, taking the place of Daniel G. Hawthorne, re-signed. The salary is \$5,000 a year.

W. R. Houghtaling and William B. Nivin, both members of the New-York Stock Exchange, have formed a partnership under the title of W. R. Houghtaling & Co., for the transaction of a general commission business in securities, either for investment or upon margin.

RIGHTS OF JURORS.

A number of citizens who have served on the jury in this county have formed a temporary Executive Committee for the purpose of securing renedial legislation respecting the rights and privileges of jurors. Hiland Flowers, of No. 137 West Ninety-sixth-st., is at the head of the movement. Mr Flowers contends that a clerk has no option in declaring when a rollcall is necessary, and that that power resis with the Judge alone. The appeal sets out the alleged arrogance and the haughtiness of court clerks and the injustices suffered by the jurors at their hands.

THE FUNERAL OF H. C. BURDETT.

The Rev. Philip A. H. Brown, vicar of St. Luke's Chapel, conducted the funeral of Henry Clay Burdett last night at his home, No. 85 Barrow-st. Burdett was born in this city sixty years ago, and had always lived in the neighborhood where he died. With his brother, Michael A. Burdett, he was in the real estate business. Mr. Burdett served in the War of the Rebellion, and was prominent in the Grand Army of the Republic.

THE REV. T. DIXON'S YACHT.

The report that the Rev. Thomas Dixon, jr., is having built, at considerable expense, a luxurious pleasure yacht of large size is, to an extent, an xaggeration. Mr. Dixon says that even if his income were big enough to warrant such an expenditure as this would involve, his position as head of parishioners, many of whom are in moderate cumstances, would not allow it. The facts in the cumstances, would not allow it. The facts in the case are that he has recently sold his naphthal launch, the Swannanoa, to a Mr. Covell, and that he is now having built at Poconoke City, Md., an eighty-foot sloop yacht, costing a moderate sum only. The vessel is being built in Maryland because of the fact that the work may be done more cheaply there. The yacht is being built of white oak and pine and will contain a fore and aft cabin, a saloon, feur staterooms, a bathroom and a kitchen, with larder and refrigerator. The interior is being finished in white and gold. E. J. Tull is the builder. The yacht, which will be called the Dixle, is about completed, and next week Mr. and Mrs. Dixon will spend a few days cruising about Broadwater Bay, in the Chesapeake.

A DIAMOND DEALER SUED FOR DIVORCE. A suit has been brought in the Supreme Court gainst Adolph Schlesinger, an East Side jewelry merchant, known by his neighbors as the "Dia-mond King," by his wife, Celia, for an absolute divorce. They were married in 1878, and have four Schlesinger owns a large amount of enlidren. Schlesinger owns a large amount of real estate, and is a man of some wealth. His wife declares that she quarrelled in November last with her husband because she would not allow him to bring to her house women with whom he was as-sociating, and as a result he beat her and forced her from her home.

DEEPENING OF HARBOR CHANNELS. The Committee on Ocean Transportation of the

Board of Trade and Transportation has presented to the Board a report embodying the following reso-

the second part shall exercise entire direction and management over all the affairs of the library building, and the books, collections and appurtenances.

Ninth—It is further expressly understood and agreed by and between the parties hereto that this agreement may be wholly cancelled and annulled, or from time to time altered or modified, as may be agreed upon in writing between the said parties or their successors, anything herein to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

CAULDWELL'S ARREST NOT ILLEGAL.

Justice Andrews in the Supreme Court yesterday denied a motion to vacate the order for the arrest of William Cauldwell, who is under \$10,000 bail on a charge of misappropriating \$196,000 of the estate of committees of other commercial bodies, to urge essary to secure such object.

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CENTURY ROAD CLUB TO ADMIT PRO-FESSIONALS TO MEMBERSHIP.

BICTCLE CLUB-CANADIAN WHEELMEN AT WAR-NOTES AND COMMENTS.

"The Bicycling World," of Boston, will say this week. "It is definitely stated that the Century Road Club of America, at the annual meeting of State centurions in January, will adopt an amendment to its bylaws permitting the admission of professionals to membership. The heretofore despised and rejected 'pros' will be taken into full fellowship and granted the same privileges as other members, though, of course, they will be a class by themselves as far as road competition is concerned. Their performances will be recognized, however, and they will have as much of a voice in the affairs of the organization as their amateur brethren. This will leave the League of American Wheelmen to play second fiddle in the recognition of professionals. An amendment with this object was introduced last year, but owing to political bitterness it was impossible to secure favorable consideration for it. During the last season the prejudice against the admission of professionals has considerably subsided, and a sentiment has arisen which may be powerful enough to carry the amendment at the coming assembly." bers, though, of course, they will be a class by

The increasing number of accidents to cyclists, due in many cases to steep hills, unguarded gullies, embankments, etc. (of which the injured rider generally has little or no previous knowledge), has prompted the officers of the League of American Wheelmen to procure a supply of caution signs which are to be sent to different parts of the country and put up wherever needed. Each sign is 9429 inches in size, made of thin sheet steel, bright vellow enamelled surface and black The general design and appearance of th



from any cyclist or cycling organization undertaking to erect one or more of these signs, and describing or indicating the location where the sign or
signs are to be placed, the League of American
Wheelmen will pack and send the sign or signs
needed. They send with each sign a board 'backing," on which the steel sign is to be nailed. In
putting up one of these signs it is only necessary
to set a strong twelve-foot post in the ground, after
which the short twenty-inch board 'backing' is
securely nailed to the top of the post and the steel
sign then nailed to the board as shown in the cut.
On all matters relating to these signs cyclists are
requested to address 'tobert L. Stillson, chairman,
Centre and Pearl sts., New-York. from any cyclist or cycling organization undertak-

The bowling division of the Manhattan Bicycle Club meets every Wednesday evening. They have entered a team in the Athletic Cycle Club of New-York and nineteen of the members are on the

The officials of the Canadian Wheelmen's Associa-The officials of the Canadian Wheelmen's Association are to have a little fight of their own. It is claimed that three or four persons have formed a clique, and that they are running the association to suit themselves. A mass-meeting has been called, to be held at Toronto, Ont., on December 18, when a vigorous protest will be made against the clique. The members also desire to change the headquarters from Simcoe to some larger city.

Over 150 individual entries have been received for the sprint racing contests at Madison Square Garden on Saturday night. Chase, the English chamden on Saturday night. Chase, the English champion, is a passenger on the Campania, which is expected here on Friday or Saturday morning. A dispatch from Satatoga yesterday gave the information that the French rider, Gougouitz, had ridden a rice, unpaced, at that place in 202. Albert Mott, the chairman of the Hacing Board of the League of American Wheelmen, will act as referee, and W. W. Wilson, of Buffalo, clerk of the course.

The total vote cast in the New-Jersey Division for State officials was 1,614. C. Frank Kireker, for chief consul, received 1,615; H. Freeman Nectus, for vice-consul, 1,601, and James C. Tattersail, 1,613. The vote for representatives was from 1,609 up.

Many cyclists made the trip to Coney Island yesterday, although the day was cold and windy. The cycle paths are in excellent condition, and the roads through Prospect Park are also good for

The annual election of officers of the Lindwood Wheelnen will be held in January. The Nominating Committee, consisting of Sigmund Cohn, Frederick Neff and William Selgmann, will announce the selection of the regular ticket shortly.

Cyclists desiring to join the League of American Wheelmen may obtain full printed information and membership blanks by sending names and ad-dresses to the Cycling Editor, The Tribune.

L. A. W. RACING BULLETIN. PROMINENT RIDERS SUSPENDED AND TRANS-FERRED-CLAIMS AGAINST RACING MEN.

Baltimore, Dec. 1.-Albert Mott, the chairman of the Racing Board of the League of American Wheelmen, to-day Issued the appended bulletin: of the Racing Board of the League of American Wheelmen, to-day issued the appended bulletin:

Many claims against racing men are being presented to the chairman that have no equitable sented to the chairman that have no equitable sented to the chairman that have no equitable sented to the chairman that have no equitable sentent that hey will be paid without question rather than to have "trouble" with the Board. Racing men will not be required to pay claims unless the indebtedness is proven or acknowledged. In this connection, the attention of managers and pacemakers is called to the fact that a pencil memoration agreement is usually possible, and their own safety lies in making such agreements in all cases. A short sentence signed by both parties is proof of contract, and can be submitted to the Board in case of dispute. The Waco Wheel Club, Waco, Tex., will be refused further sanctions until the prizes due from meets of July 3 and 6 are paid.

No more sanctions will be granted to the Wilmington Cycle Company, Wilmington, Del., or for the track owned by the company, until they make good the value of a brize.

Suspension Removed—William Haney, Gloucester, N. J.; Teddy Goodman, New York; H. B. Hills, fr., Providence, R. I.; Leo Langfelt, Covington, Ky.; Will Lowe, Nashville, Tenn., own request.

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CENTURY RECORDS FOR THE YEAR. Baltimore, Dec. 1 (Special).—The annual report of the Century Cycling Club of Maryland has just been issued. The year's record of centuries is over seven hundred, which is two hundred more than seven hundred, which is two hundred more than any previous year. In the way of individual records, Maryland is far below the mark set last year. At the end of 1886 Samuel Warns had 100 centuries to his credit and mileage of over nineteen thousand, to his credit and mileage of over nineteen thousand. This year Milton A. Frasier is in the lead, with about seventy-five centuries. Warns comes next, with fifty and Henry Smith, with forty-five. While a great number of others throughout the State made century runs, nobody induiged in it as a business. Miss Maude Pitcher, who has ridden eight centuries, is the woman century champion of Maryland.

DO NOT ACCEDE.

PROSPECT OF A BIG STRIKE IN THE BUILD-ING TRADES IF THE CONTRACTORS

Berious trouble is threatened in the building trades on January 1 because of the demands which the Electrical Workers' Union has made on the contractors. The union demands that after January 1 and January 1 and 1 dealers ary 1 all electrical workers shall be paid \$4 a day for eight hours' work. The prevailing scale of wages is now \$3 a day for eight hours' work. The demands are directed against the Electrical Contractors' Association, composed of twenty-five of the principal electrical firms in the city. These firms do nearly all the electrical work in the big buildings. There are about one thousand men in the Electrical Workers' Union, and if the threat-ened strike could be confined to them it would not be considered such a serious affair, but it is feared that if the strike does come the men of other building trades will become involved in it.

The Electrical Contractors' Association is part of the United Building Trades, which is composed of a majority of the large contractors in all the build-

relation to the demands of the Electrical Workers' Union.

The position taken by the United Building Trades in relation to the present difficulty was said by a member of the organization to be as follows: The men have made their demand for \$i\$ a day, and their only excuse is that they gave the electrical contractors eight months' notice that they would surely come, and if it does come it will be on or about January I. It is not at all probable that the bosses will accede to the men's demands, and if, in consequence, the men carry out their threar and go on strike, every building trade in the city may become involved in it. It has been estimated that ten thousand men may become involved. If it comes to a serious fight, there will be a great many more than that. The electrical workers deem the demand of the men for \$i\$ a day unreasonable, and the United Building Trades does also. The feeling among the members of the latter organization is that if the demands of the electrical workers were acceded to it would be merely an entering wedge for the men of other trades to make like demands.

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From other sources it was learned that there was even a possibility of a general lockout being ordered in all the building trades should the electrical workers force the Issue in relation to their present demands. Work is said to be extremely active in the building trades at present, and there are few unemployed men. In fact, some of the contractors have so much work on hand that they do not care to make more contracts for a time.

It was reported yesterday that delegates of the different trades unions had visited mechanics and others working on the buildings under construction and warned them that unless the demand of the electrical workers for \$H\$ a day after January I was acceded to a general strike would be ordered among the building trades. Officers of the Board of Delegates declared, however, that that body was not making preparations for ordering a big strike.

TO APPOINT ITS OWN LAWYER.

A BILL TO GIVE THE BOARD OF EDUCATION SUCH AUTHORITY.

The general unsatisfactory relations of the Board of Education with the Corporation Counsel's office and the special counsel appointed by the Corporaand Legislation to prepare a bill, to be presented to the Legislature or to the Municipal Assembly. authorizing the Board to appoint an attorney to have exclusive charge of its legal work. This m owed its inception to the alleged exorbitant bills presented by ex-Judge Allison for services as special counsel in the matter of condemning school Chairman Anderson of the committee that drew the bill said at yesterday's meeting of the Board that he was opposed to the employment of special counsel by limited city departments, and favored leaving the exclusive control and responsibility in legal matters with the department created ard maintained for that purpose. Corporation Counsel Scott, however, the chairman said, was very hard to manage. He had been asked to set aside one of his assistants to attend exclusively to the work of the School Board, for the sake of the expense saved the city by such a course, but had declined to do so. It was the opinion of the meeting that the Board should have a representative in the Corporation Counsel's office to have charge of the Board's business, but it was finally decided to defer action until the first January meeting of the Board.

PAYING CARRIERS FOR OVERTIME.

POSTOFFICE DEPARTMENT SETFLING CLAIMS ON THE BASIS OF THE DECISION IN THE POST CASE

The letter-carriers of the New-York office who filed claims for overtime have nearly all received the money due them. The First Assistant Postmaster-General, in his report just published, gives in detail the decision of the courts in the case of Aaron H. Post, a carrier of Salt Lake City, who Tuesday. May wheat closed at 30% cents, a decline of \$\frac{1}{2}\$ cent. December corn closed at \$15\$, cents, an advance of \$\frac{1}{2}\$ cent. May corn closed unchanged at advance of \$\frac{1}{2}\$ cent. Export sales were twenty loads of wheat and thirty loads of corn.

J. M. Comstock, chief clerk of the Customs Division of the Treasury Department at Washington, was at the Custom House yesterday to receive recommendations and suggestions from exporters and agents with a view to the adoption of uniform regulations for the export business.

Frank Raymond yesterday began his duties as Claims and the vouchers for the awards from the Government were sent directly to the carriers. It is known, however, that there are few claims outstanding. The claims not paid are those of men who refused to accept the findings of the Commission which was appointed to visit the various post-offices and settle the amounts due the carriers. When a settlement was arrived at the claim was immediately reported to the Court of Claims, which gave judgment for the amount. Those who did not accept this adjudication of the Commission have fled suits against the Government for their claims, and all of these will probably be settled on the basis of the decision in Post's case.

In that case the Government contended that Post's service came within the prohibition of section No. 1.74 of the Revised Statutes, which says: "No allowance or compensation shall be made to any officer or clerk for the discharge of dutles which belong to any other other office or clerk in which belong to any other other office or clerk in the same or any other department." Post had contended that he had worked twelve instead of eight hours each day, five in distributing and seven hours in waiting for, receiving and sorting mail, and the Court held that he should have compensation for this extra labor.

GETTING READY FOR THE HOLIDAY RUSH. Thirty special postoffice clerks began work yes-terday at the General Postoffice and sub-stations throughout the city. This additional force of men is employed for the handling of the rush of holiday mail matter, which is expected to be larger this

season than for many years before. The rush of business at the Postoffice still continues. The receipts from the saie of statistic tinues. The receipts from the said registered stamped envelopes, money orders and registered letters last month amounted to \$739,106.94. The receipts for the corresponding month last year were \$135,559.60, an increase of \$106,547.04, or a percentage \$133,559.60, an increase of \$106,547.04.

The posteffice authorities at Washington have authorized Postmaster Van Co.i to execute a lease of the ground floor of the building at Broadway and Howard-st. for a term of five years, at an annual rental of \$12,000. A sub-station will be established at this point for the convenience of business men in the drygoods district. The floor is now tenanted but it is expected that the present occupants will find other quarters before February 1. Then the work of refitting the rooms for the sub-station will be hurried along, so that the station can be opened for business by March 1.

THE LOCAL RAILWAY MAIL SERVICE. The local railway mail service, which consists of the white mailcars run over the Third-ave, cable road between the General Postoffice and Harlem, was transferred to the control of Postmaster Van Cott at midnight on Tuesday. A like transfer of went into effect at the same time. This change was made at the suggestion of V. J. Bradley Superintendent of the Railway Mail Service, who decided, after consultation with the postmasters in decided, after consultation with the postmasters in this district, that the service would be bettered by such a change. The clerks who have been handling the mails on these cars will be retained for the present, but will be under the control of the Post-master, while they will continue to draw pay from the Railway Mail Service. It is expected that by February 1 next appropriations will be made for the employ of additional clerks for this service.

ANOTHER E. S. DEAN PRISONER. Assistant Postoffice Inspector Shopp and Deputy

United States Marshal Stafford arrested Jacob amberg on Tuesday night at No. 200 East Houston st. The prisoner was indicted several months ago by the United States Grand Jury, with Myron L Bernard, "Sam" Kellar, Harry D. Kyle, James B. Kellogg, Alfred R. Goslin and others, who were said to compose the defunct E. S. Dean Company, on a charge of using the United States mails for fraudulent purposes. The firm did business in Wall-st. as discretionary pool operators. Lambers was arraigned yesterday morning before Judge Brown, in the United States Circuit Court, and held in \$2,000 bail for trial. He admitted that he had acted as secretary and treasurer of the E. S. Dean Company up to January last.

SONS OF UNION TO HAVE A DINNER. The Union College Alumni Association will have its annual dinner on December 9, at the Hotel Savoy. There will be a business session at 6 p. m., which is expected to last an hour. The Rev. Dr. George Alexander will preside, and speeches are expected from President Raymond, St. Clair Mc-Kelway and Charles Emory Smith. A large attendance is looked for. **EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT THE** 

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THE MAYOR WILL VETO IT.

NOT TO ALLOW A TROLLEY ROAD THROUGH PELHAM BAY PARK.

Mayor Strong yesterday intimated that he was proposed to the granting of a franchise to the Pelham Park Railroad Company to allow the running of a trolley line through the Pelham Bay Park and spoiling the Shore Road, and that he would veto the resolution passed by the Aldermen on Tuesday. "I guess I'll have to stand by my Park Commission ers," he said, and the Park Commissioners have already declared their opposition to the trolley scheme. It is expected that the Mayor will hold the resolution to grant the franchise to the latest day possible, and then interpose his veto. Aderman Hall, who voted against the resolution

Aderman Hall, who voted against the resolution on Tuesday, said he was in favor of giving some franchise which would enable the people of City Island to get to the city cheaply, but the franchise which gave up a fine driveway in a public park was not what he wanted to give.

Alderman Goodman said: "In my opinion the franchise which was voted yesterday is not worth the price of the paper it was written on. The Park Commissioners have the right to prevent the running of the road through the park, and besides, the Mayor will veto the franchise."

Alderman Parker said that, while the Park Commissioners could prevent the running of a road through the park, the Commissioners to be appointed by the incoming Mayor might be favorable to the plan.

MORE STREET-GRABBING ACTIVITY. A COMPANY WANTS TO PUT CAR TRACKS IN NAR-ROW DOWNTOWN THOROUGHFARES.

Many business men of the city will be surprised and alarmed by an application which has been made to the Commissoner of Public Works for permission to tear up the pavements of Wall, Pine, Liberty, Cortlandt and William sts., and Maiden Lane, and lay tracks for horsecars in these Maiden Lane, and lay tracks for horsecars in these streets. The application is made by a company that few New-Yorkers ever heard of before, the Fulton, Wall Street and Cortlandt Street Ferries Raifroad Company, incorporated in 1885. The company declares that the consent of the local authorities to construct and operate railroads in the thorities to construct and operate railroads in the streets named was given by a resolution of the Board of Aldermen on July 24, 1885, and that, while the resolution was returned by the Mayor without his approval, it was returned without his formal objection, and, therefore, the resolution became

It is stated that the value of all property abutting on the line of the proposed road is \$00,918,896, and that of this amount the company has obtained consents aggregating \$23,428,185, which is more by \$2,968,742 than the one-half in value required by The company also asserts that it has secured, in addition, more than a majority of the consents of property-owners upon each street upon

consents of property-owners upon each street upon which it proposes to construct its road.

The capital stock of the company is stated to be 5.00.000, consisting of 7.000 shares of 5.00 each. The directors named at the incorporation of the company are John S. Foster, Gilbert M. Speir, Jr. C. E. Loew, D. D. Conover, John Keenan, H. S. Beattle and Edward Kearney, all of this city. The criginal stockholders are declared to be H. S. Beattle, John S. Foster, D. D. Conover, John Keenan, Patrick Keenan, C. E. Loew, G. M. Speir, F., William T. Nolan, Charles Rellly, Edward Selleck, Charles P. Blake, Edward Kearney and John M. Early.

Edward Selleck is the president of the company

TELEVEN NEW FIRE CAPTAINS.

A big batch of promotions to the grade of foreman was made by the Fire Board yesterday morn-ing. The Board, after an executive session, pro-moted eleven assistant foremen to the command moted eleven assistant foremen to the command of fire companies. The new fire captains are as follows: John F. Devanny, of Engine Company No. 36; William Gueris, of Engine Company No. 24; Francis J. Grey, of Engine Company No. 55; James D. Cifford, of Engine Company No. 2; William C. Clark, of Engine Company No. 2; William C. Clark, of Engine Company No. 2; Thomas Larkin, of Hook and Ladder Company No. 1; John H. Leonard, of Engine Company No. 36; Timothy J. Bresnan, of Hook and Ladder Company No. 14; Peter Sloan, of Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, and Henry Burnett, of Engine Company No. 19.

DISSATISFACTION WITH THE NEW RATES. The action taken by the Tariff Association of New-York, at its meeting on Tuesday, in reducing certain rates on fire insurance risks already listed certain rates on fire insurance risks already listed and in referring back to the Executive Committee other proposed changes, has caused intense dissat-lafaction, and may soon be reversed. A few of the fire insurance companies are not members of the Tariff Association, and the changes voted on Tues-day were designed to meet their competition, but have not done it. One of the reinstant control have not done it. One of the principal causes of complaint is that the association did not adopt, but referred back to its Executive Committee, the recommendations of that committee in regard to fixing rates on dwellings and limiting commis-Some of the companies, it is charged, have been giving on dwellings commissions much larger than the regularly authorized percentage, for the than the regularly authorized percentage, for the sake of getting mercantile risks also, and thus "evening up." There was put into circulation yesterday afternoon among the fire insurance men a paper which received many signatures, calling for a special meeting of the Tariff Association. One influential insurance firm declares that it will not submit to the new rates unless its friends in the dry goods district and the department stores shall also get the benefit of lower rates. Many companies have threatened to resign from the Tariff Association in consequence of Tuesday's work, and one of the leading insurance firms in the city actually wrote out its resignation yesterday, and was restrained from forwarding it only by positive assurances that the association would reconsider its action regarding new rates.

WANTS HER HUSBAND'S BODY EXHUMED. Willoughby B. Dobbs, a lawyer, called at the Coroner's office late yesterday afternoon and requested the exhumation of the body of Valentine Scholl, a milk-dealer, whose widow lives in Duncumbave, Williamsbridge. Scholl, it is alleged, fell from a trolley-car at Elizabeth-st. and White Plains Road on the night of November 18, and was taken to the police station in the Town Hall, West Chester, and police station in the Town Hall, West Chester, and later was removed to his home, where in the next few hours he became worse. On November 19 an ambulance was summoned, and Scholl was taken to the Fordham Horpital. He died on Wednesday, and Dr. Hargrave, of the hospital, gave a certificate which stated the cause of death to be cerebral hemorrhase. The certificate was accepted by the Health Board, and a burial permit was granted.

Mr. Dobbs raid that the widow was of the opinion that her husband died from a fracture of the base of the skull, and she wanted an autopsy.

The matter will be referred to Coroner Fitzpatrick to-day, but it is doubtful if he will order the body disinterred. An inquest will probably be held.

TWO NEW STEAMSHIPS. Two sister ships to the Rotterdam of the Holland-

American Line are being built by that company at Belfast, in the yards of Harlan & Wolff. They are the Ryndam and Statendan, and their length is to be 550 feet. They will be added to the fiest of steamships plying between this port and Rotter-dam. LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

THE WILLIAMSON ESTATE DECREE SIGNED Justice Andrews, in the Supreme Court yester-day, signed the decree in the suit decided by him some time ago, in which Theodore C. English, as substituted trustee of the estate of Benjamin Willamson, once Chancellor of New-Jersey, against iamson, once Chancellor of New-Jersey, against the firm of McIntyre & Wardweil, to recover the value of securities lost in speculation through the firm by Isaac H. Willamson, son and trustee of the Chancellor The Justice also signed an order directing the defendants to file a list of all the stocks and securities belonging to the estate which they received and appointed John H. Judge as referee to ascertein how much is due by the defendants to the Williamson estate.

COURT OF APPEALS CALENDAR Albany, Dec. 1.—The Court of Appeals calendar for to-morrow is as follows: Nos. 1,148, 238, 239, 1,068, 212, 229, 231 and 235.

COURT CALENDARS FOR TO-DAY. COURT CALENDARS FOR TO-DAY.

Appellate Division—Supreme Court—Recess.

Supreme Court—Appellate Term—Adjourned sine dia.

Supreme Court—Special Term—Part I—Before Andrews.

J.—Motin calendar called at 10:30 a.m.

Supreme Court—Special Term—Part III—Before Lawrence, J.—Court opens at 10:30 a.m.

Supreme Court—Trial Term—Parts III, IV, V, VI, VIII, VIII, X, X, XI and XII—Adjourned for the term.

Supreme Court—Trial Term—Parts III, IV, V, VII, VIII, IX, X, XI and XII—Adjourned for the term.

Supreme Court—Chambers—Before Arnold, S.—Ne day calendar. Wills for probate: Louisa Herbst, Henry Tice and Lillian A. Leeds, at 10:30 a.m.; Thereas Garmalein, at 11 a.m.; Elias Rothlein and Peter Kerrigan, as 2 p. m.

2 p. m.

Surrogate's Court—Trial Term—Before Fitzgerald. 8.—

No. 1,203, will of Alexander Raiston, at 10:30 a.m.; No. 1,203, will of Alexander Raiston, at 10:30 a.m.; No. 1,822, will of Alexander Raiston, at 10:30 a.m.; No. 1,822, will of Alexander Raiston, at 10:30 a.m.

City Court—Special Term—Before Fitzsimona, J.—Court Court—Oneral Term—Adjourned sine die.

City Court—Trial Term—Parts I, II, III and IV—Adjourned for the term. REFEREES APPOINTED

English agt. McIntyre—John H. Judge. Tilden agt. Tilden—John H. Judge. RECEIVER APPOINTED. By Truex, J.
Stephen Leis agt. Magdalena B. Keller-Nathan Met.

PATRIOTIC CHILDREN. PUPILS OF THE VACATION SCHOOLS PRESENT TO CHARLES BULKLEY HUBBELL PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, THE

NATIONAL COLORS. Charles Bulkley Hubbell, president of the Board of Education, has received the gift of a flag from the New-York Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor. The gift is accompanied by a letter from Howard Townsend, chairman of the pany are John S. Foster, Gilbert M. Speir, Jr., which are John S. Foster, John Keenan, H. S. Beattle and Edward Kearney, all of this city. The Beattle, John S. Foster, D. D. Conover, John Keenan, H. S. Beattle and Edward Kearney all of this city. The Beattle, John S. Foster, D. D. Conover, John Keenan, H. S. Beattle, John S. Foster, D. D. Conover, John John S. Foster, D. Conover, John S. Foster, D. Conover, John S. Foster, D. Conove Department of Schools and Institutions, which says: "Toward the close of this year's term of the

at the Carnegie Music Hall, on December 14. The tickets will not be ready for distribution until all tickets will not be ready for distribution until all the details of the arhibition have been parfected. The views will be under the supervision of Dr. William H. Toiman.

The book which the association is preparing to illustrate the beauties of New-York and the surrounding country will cost about \$99,000, and will be distributed free to all merchants of standing in this country. A special fund is being raised for the purpose of publishing the book. It is believed that the book will be the means of bringing more trade here.

The association intends to conduct an aggressive campaign next year. It is estimated that trade in the city was increased from \$55,000,000 to \$150,000,000 by the association's work during August and September.

WILL FIGHT AN EASTERN COMBINATION. Appleton, Wis., Dec. L-The Western manufacturers of print paper will fight the proposed Eastern combination, if it is effected. The Western mills propose to establish a selling agency in Chicago.
The Fox River manufacturers say they will enter
the Western combination, and that the selling
agency will have back of it mills which can produce
over four hundred tons of print paper a day, so
that it will be in a good condition to cope with the
big Eastern concerns.

EX-COLLECTOR CUNEY DYING. San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 1.—N. W. Cuney, the most prominent negro Republican politician in this State, and for several years the recognized leader of the Republican party in Texas, is ill at Borne, a health

Republican party in the resort. His condition is pronounced to be hopeless, as he has been suffering from chronic disease for a year. He was Collector of the Port of Galveston under President Harrison and led the Texas delegation at every Republican National Convention for the last twelve years. SIOUX MURDERERS GO FREE. Bismarck, N. D., Dec. 1.-Defender and Black

Hawk, the remaining two of the five Spicer mur derers, were set free to-day. They were escorted by an armed guard of forty scouts, and will be taken to Standing Rock. Considering the strength of the guard no attempt at lynching will be made.

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